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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BUNDY

SUBJECT: Cuba Meeting (Without President) Next Tuesday, December 10, 1963

1. I spoke to John Crimmins at some length about preparations for the meeting next week regarding new courses of action we can take, short of invasion, to make life difficult for Castro. He plans to produce the following type of document for the meeting.

> (a) The paper will include State's recommendation on how we plan to proceed in the OAS as a result of the Cuban arms cache issue. For example, should we push for a break in diplomatic relations ████████ ████████, a break in economic relations between Latin America and Cuba, a break in communications between the OAS countries and Cuba? 13(1)(5)

> (b) The paper will then describe a number of possible bilateral and unilateral actions which we can take e.g. unleashing of the exiles, low level flights, military feints ████████████████████████████████ intensification of covert program. There will be a brief discussion giving the advantages and disadvantages of each of these courses of action, along with State's recommendation in favor or against. 1.3(6)(3)

> (c) John will get the paper distributed by Saturday afternoon so that the agencies will have time to consider State's recommendations before the Tuesday meeting.

2. John plans to meet with Alexis Johnson and the Secretary this evening. Among other things he hopes to clear the above menu.

3. Bromley feels that we should try to maintain this meeting as a Standing Group meeting (among other things, this will allow us to invite the AG). Attendence at the meeting would be roughly as follows: Ed Martin, somebody from the 7th floor of State, John McCone, Dez Fitzgerald or Dick Helms, Roswell Gilpatric, another person from Defense, Don Wilson, and the AG. Do you have any problems with such a list? How about Douglas Dillon, Maxwell Taylor, Ted Sorensen?

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Gordon Chase

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